Proclamation itself was in 1086 and a document of 1083 should therefore never have been taken with the intention of having a probable or possible fixity of tenure to Verumpattomdars because the question of granting fixity to Verumpattomdars should never have been in the minds of any person in 1083 or 1094.

There is a committee to which the main provisions relating to kanoms have already been referred. Incidentally in the course of discussion of that committee this aspect may have to be considered. If really there is a case for legislation regard being had to the evidence before the committee, Government may take a decision over the matter.

Therefore, the Hon'ble Members may be pleased to agree to this principle that Government have adopted a policy to keep a very open mind and allowing these matters to go to a select committee and then allowing Government to take a decision after all the materials have been gathered whether it is against for or partially satisfied or not.

മിസ്റ്റർ പി. മാണി: ഈ ബിൽ ഇതിനുമുമ്പ് അവതരിപ്പിച്ചിട്ടുള്ള വെരുമ്പാട്ടക്കുടിയാൻ ബിൽ സെലക്ട് കമ്മിറ്റിയുടെ ആലോചനക്കെടുക്കണമെന്ന മാത്രമെ എനിക്ക പറയുവാനുള്ളൂ.

Mr. Deputy President : The question before the House is that the Cochin Verumpattomdars Act (Amendment) Bill may be read in Council.

Motion put and carried

Secretary to the Council: The title of the Bill is the Cochin Verumpattomdars Act (Amendment) Bill.

Mr. M. Sivarama Menon *(Advocate-General):* The Bill may be referred to the same select committee which is considering the other Verumpattomdars Bills and the Hon'ble Mover is already a member of that committee.

Mr. V. R. Krishnan Ezhuthassan *(Oorakam):* I second it.

Mr. Deputy President: The question is that the Cochin Verumpattomdars Act (Amendment) Bill be referred to the same select committee which is considering the other Verumpattomdars Bills.

Motion put and carried

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Tattamangalam):* Sir, I move that the Cochin Verumpattomdars Act (Amendment) Bill may be read in Council.

Mr. Parambi Lonappen *(Irinjalakkuda):* I second it.

(v) The Cochin Verumpattomdars' Act (Amendment) Bill

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Tattamangalam):* This is a very simple affair. In our place when lands are given to verumpattamdars we make mention of the paddy pattam alone. All the other portions are expected to be in our possession. There may be trees standing in those lands which we nurture for future use. If the Jenmi wanted to cut a tree the tenant says that the trees are in his possession for that neither the landlord nor the tenant can cut it. That is a rediculous position. So apart from the fields producing paddy my proposal is that if there is a tree the jenmi should be allowed to cut it down. These things are now objected to by the tenant. There are not many cases but there are some. It is to prevent that I move this Bill.

Mr. M. Sivarama Menon *(Advocate-General):* The same position taken by Government in regard to other bills is assumed in respect of this bill aso. For my part I would say that this will appear on the face of it because this bill comes from Chittur where the interests of the landlords are supreme, as in the northern parts, it has a different colour in certain respects. We know as a matter of fact when permanency to Tharikuthukars of Chittur Taluk was created there was a point raised but it was not made very clear to us which was with regard to the procedure adopted in granting rights to the tenants.

In tharikuthu the landlord used to plant 4 tamarind trees or palmyra trees in the three corners and the arrangement then was that the jenmi should be allowed to take the income of the tamarind trees or the palmyra trees as the case may be. Therefore a custom grew up which enabled the landlord to take the income from the tamarind trees. This was not done in all cases. These facts have to be very minutely enquired into and I say, Government are keeping a very open mind in this case also.

Mr. Deputy President : The question is the Cochin Verumpattamdars Act (Amendment) Bill may be read in the Council.

Motion put and carried

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Secretary to the Council: The title of the Bill is the Cochin Verumpattamdars Act (Amendment) Bill.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon (*Chittur-Tattamangalam*) : The Bill may be referred to the same Select Committee.

Mr. M. Sivarama Menon *(Advocate-General):* I second it.

Mr. Deputy President: The question is that the Cochin Verumpattamdars Act (Amendment) Bill be referred to the same Select Committee.

Motion put and carried

(vi) The Cochin Shops and Establishments Bill

Mr. P. K. Dewer *(Nominated):* I move that the Cochin Shops and Establishments Bill may be read in the Council.

Mr. K. I. Velayudhan (*Ezhuvas-Talappally*): I second it.

മിസ്റ്റർ പി. കെ. ഡീവർ: ഇതിനെപ്പറ്റി പ്രത്യേകിച്ചു ഒന്നും പറയേണ്ടതായിട്ടില്ല. മിസ്റ്റർ അച്യുതമേനോന്റെ ബില്ലിലെ വ്യവസ്ഥകൾ തന്നെയാണു് മിക്കവാറും എന്റെ ബില്ലിലും ഉള്ളതു്. അല്പം ചില വ്യത്യാസങ്ങൾ ഉള്ളതു് ഒഴിവു കൊടുത്താൽ ആ ഒഴിവു ദിവസത്തിനുള്ള കാര്യം അവരുടെ കൂലിയിൽനിന്നു കുറക്കുവാൻ പാടില്ല എന്നതാണു്. ഈ ബില്ലും അതേ സിലക്ട് കമ്മിറ്റിയെതന്നെ ഏല്പിച്ചു് ആലോചിക്കണമെന്നാണു് എന്റെ അപേക്ഷ. അതുകൊണ്ടു് ഈ ബില്ലിനെ എല്ലാവരും അനുകൂലിക്കുമെന്നു് ഞാൻ വിശ്വസിക്കുന്നു.

Mr. P. Govinda Menon (*Minister for Food and Education*): With respect to this Bill also the Government's position is the same as was explained in the case of Mr. Achutha Menon's Bill. The Government therefore suggest that the Bill may be referred to the same Select Committee that is appointed to consider Mr. Achutha Menon's Bill.

Mr. Deputy Peesident : The question is that the Cochin Shops and Establishments Bill may be read in the Council.

Motion put and carried

Secretary to the Council: The title of the Bill is the Cochin Shops and Establishments Bill.

Mr. M. Sivarama Menon (*Advoaate-General*): I move that this Bill be referred to the same Select Committee which is appointed to consider Mr. Puthur Achutha Menon's Bill.

Rao Sahib P. V. Raphael (*Chief Secretary to Gevernment*): I second it.

Mr. Deputy President: The question is that the Bill be referred to the same Select Committee.

Motion put and carried

(vii) The Cochin Verumpattamdars Act (Amendment) Bill

Mr. V. R. Krishnan Ezhathassan *(Oorakam):* I move that leave to introduce the Cochin Verumpattamdars Act (Amendment) Blll be granted.

Mr. P. Mani (*Kanayannur*): I second it.

Mr. Depuy President : The question is that the House may grant leave to introduce the Cochin Verumpattamdars Act (Amendment) Bill.

Motion put and carried

(viii) The Cochin Verumpattamdars (Condonaion of forfeiture) Bill

Mr. K. T. Achyutan (*Ezhuvas Mukundapuram*) : I move that leave to introduce the Cochin Verumpattamdars (Condonation of forfeiture) Bill be granted.

Mr. K. I. Velayudhan (*Ezhuvas-Talappalli*): I second it,

Mr. Deputy President: The question is that the House may grant leave to introduce the Cochin Verumpattamdars (Condonation of forfeiture) Bill.

Motion put and carried

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